

5 **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DERIVING AND MATCHING LOCAL
 FORMATTING IN AN ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT**

Abstract of the Disclosure

10 Determining and applying format attributes associated with content in an
 electronic document that is cut or copied from an electronic document and pasted into the
 same or different electronic document. The determination may be based on the format
 attributes of the content within a region of an electronic document containing the cut or
 copied content and the format attributes of a region of content that includes the location
15 where the cut or copied text may be pasted. Local formatting may be associated with the
 source region of content and the destination region of content. Direct, or emphasis
 formatting, may be associated with content that has been cut or copied.

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